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| closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213. | | | | | | | |
| Disposition of Claims | | | | | | | |
| 4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-19</u> is/are pending in the application. | | | | | | | |
| 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration. | | | | | | | |
| 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed. | | | | | | | |
| 6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-19</u> is/are rejected. | | | | | | | |
| 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. | | | | | | | |
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| 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner. | | | | | | | |
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| 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152. | | | | | | | |
| Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 | | | | | | | |
| 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) All b) Some * c) None of: | | | | | | | |
| 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. | | | | | | | |
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| Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) Interview Summary | (PTO-413) | | | | | |
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Claims 1-19 are presented for examination.

The amendments and remarks filed on February 21, 2006 have been received and entered.

The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

Claims 1-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, because the specification, while being enabling for certain deprenyl compounds being used for the treatment of glaucoma, does not reasonably provide enablement for all compounds covered under the phrase "a deprenyl" for the treatment of glaucoma. The specification does not enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the invention commensurate in scope with these claims. The factors to be considered whether a disclosure meets the enablement requirements of 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, have been described in In re Wands, 8 USPQ2d 1400 (Fed. Cir.1988). Among these factors are:

1) The nature of the invention:

The claims are drawn to a method of treating a subject for glaucoma using a deprenyl compound.

2) The state of the prior art:

The prior art does not recognize that all compounds sharing the same nucleus have the same effect on the treatment of a disorder. E.g. U.S patent 6,531,459 teaches, "By structural manipulations of a side chain therapeutic usable effectiveness

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can be separated from undesirable hypercalcemic activity". Such reference is directed to the use of vitamin D derivatives in comparison to vitamin D.

3) The relative skill of those in the art:

The relative skill of those in the art is high.

4) The predictability or unpredictability of the art:

The unpredictability of pharmaceutical and chemical art is high.

5) The breath of the claims:

The claims are very broad, and encompass the use of any deprenyl compound for the treatment of glaucoma.

6) The amount of direction or guidance provided:

Applicant's specification provides guidance for and it is only enabled for the treatment of glaucoma using certain deprenyl compounds. In re Dreshfield, 110 F.2d 235, 45 USPQ 36 (CCPA 1940), gives this general rule: "It is well settled that in cases involving chemicals and chemical compounds, which differ radically in their properties it must appear in applicant's specification either by the enumeration of a sufficient number of the members of the group or by other appropriate language, that the chemicals and chemical combinations included in the claims are capable of accomplishing the desired results." Applicant's specification does not set forth a representative number of examples of deprenyl compounds being capable of treating glaucoma.

7) The presence or absence of working examples;

The examples in applicant's specification are drawn to the use of one deprenyl compound.

8) The quantity of experimentation necessary;

Since compound structure and activity for such pharmaceutical use must be determined from case to case by painstaking experimental study, one of ordinary skill in the art would be burdened with undue experimentation to determine all deprenyl compounds being capable of treating glaucoma.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Zohreh A. Fay whose telephone number is (571) 272-0573. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday 9:30-6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Hartley can be reached on (571) 272-0616. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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